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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

5. A method of manufacturing a cylindrical metal-oxide varistor with improved energy absorption capability, wherein electrodes are arranged making contact with end surfaces of the metal-oxide varistor, the end surfaces of the varistor are coated with metal, and an envelope